Amendment dated March 14, 2006

Reply to Office Action of February 27, 2006

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement dated February 27, 2006, applicants

hereby elect, with traverse, the claims of Group II (claims 12-29) for prosecution on the

merits at this time. Method claims 35 - 44 have been added.

It is submitted that article claims 1-11 and 30-34 should also be examined in

this application since a search for the method features necessarily requires a search for the

articles of claims 1-11. Further, since applicants are claiming the article, method of

manufacturing the article, and method of using this article (claims 30-34), all claims should

be examined herein (see MPEP §806.05(i)), since the article claims should be allowable.

Withdrawing of the restriction requirement and examination of all claims 1-44

is respectfully requested.

Our check in the amount of \$500.00 covering the fee for 10 additional

dependent claims is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in

the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper

hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under

Order No. 28570/10087.

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Respectfully submitted,

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